

an Quarterly Newsletter

Clan Henderson Society of the United States and Canada

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Small problem, cousins. When you turn the page and by-pass page 2, you will have passed the announcement that clan dues have gone up. For 2002 renewals, US members pay \$15.00; Canadian members pay \$27.00 Can—please send the full amount.

Annual General Meeting Murfreesboro, Tennessee 4-6 October 2002

by Warren C. Henderson

Games Motel

We have a block of 30 rooms for Clan Henderson at the Red Roof Inn in Murfreesboro. Start calling now for reservations, rooms not reserved/confirmed by 10 September will be returned to normal reservations. Room rates are \$69.95/day. Rooms are blocked for 4-6 October. For Reservations call (615) 893-00104. Make sure they know you are a part of the Henderson room block.

The motel is off I-24 exit 78 at 2282 Old Fort Parkway, which is on the east side of I-24. A sign in sheet will be in the lobby, as well as my phone # if anyone wants to talk to me. Regional Commissioner Billy Henderson will be at the motel also.

As of now, there are no plans for Friday night. We may try to set up something for that evening, but too much is going on in town that night—MTSU homecoming, NASCAR racing, a major dog show, and several other events. We are looking forward to seeing everyone

AGM Time and Place

The games are held on the MTSU campus. Be sure to sign in at the tent when you arrive. Meeting time for the Annual General Meeting is from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. in the meeting tent at the games.

Plan to Attend the Ceilidh

We are set up at the Ponderosa Steak House for the Ceilidh for Saturday the 5th from 6:30 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. This is a family restaurant, and in Tennessee that means no alcoholic beverages of

Nominations Committee Announces Slate of Nominees

by Charles.B.Henderson

The following individuals are nominated for Clan Henderson officers for 2003–2004 term of office.

Provided that the proposed changes to the constitutions and bylaws is approved.

For:

President

Rex A. Maddox, Virginia

Vice President

William S. Henderson, Texas

Vice President-General Counsel

David S. Henderson, North Carolina

Recording Secretary

Dottie Henderson, Florida

Membership Secretary

Carol Maley, Pennsylvania

Treasurer

Stephen Murphy, Pennsylvania

The election will take place at Murfreesboro during the Annual General Meeting from (1:00 to 3:00 P.M. in the meeting tent at the games).

any kind. It is off I-24 at exit 81 at 1845 South Church Street. We have the party room there. The food will be a la carte or off the menu, and will cost whatever is ordered. Maps will be available at the tent and the hotel for the Ceilidh on Saturday night.

We will have a Highland calf to march with the clan in the parade of tartans at the games. This will certainly be a first . . .

And that's no Bull

An Canach

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Our mailing list is maintained by the Clan Secretary and changes should be submitted directly.

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The Do's and Don'ts of Dues

DUES RENEWAL

Basic clan dues	\$ _____
\$15 US per year per family or	
\$27 Can per year per family	
Other Contributions-	
Region Support	\$ _____
Genealogy	\$ _____
Chief's Fund	\$ _____
Memorial	\$ _____
Other	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____

NEW

◆◆◆ Renewals (US)

Stephen G. Murphy
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◆◆◆ Renewals (Canada)

Make checks payable to-
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For Clan Members who wish to enroll
other members of their family
(e.g., parents, grown children), please contact your
Regional Commissioner for a membership application.

**Send Address
Changes
here!**

**Send the completed application to your Commissioner
or directly to**

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Articles and reports for
An Canach are requested
and encouraged.
Deadlines for input are
1 December, 1 March, 1 June,
and 1 September.

The "Circle?"
It is a "Round To It!"

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this request, the Commissioner will check his/her records to ascertain the currency of membership for the applicant's family and then forward the request to the Scholarship Committee. Youth awards will normally be made at the Annual General Meeting or by mail should the individual not be able to attend that event.

I cannot stress the importance of need for the applicant to write a letter requesting the scholarship. Parent's letters presenting a recommendation of their child or children will not suffice. We need to hear from the youth wanting the scholarship. We do not have scholarships for those over 26, feeling they should be able to defray any expenses for training on their own.

The services of our Genealogist and this newsletter remain the big selling points when we talk to prospective members. Dr. Loftin has excelled in putting the families of 'Son of Henry' into a computer program which permits easy recall of data and printing of family information for new members. We owe him a great debt of gratitude for his efforts. If you are a new member of the Society, please ensure that the Family Group Sheet (FGS) you send to him is as complete as you can possibly make it—dates, especially, are very important in matching family lines.

Our newsletter editor, Russell Henderson, former president and vice president of the Society and Mid East Region Commissioner, has produced an award winning publication for fourteen years. He

serves on committees and is a constant source of information about matters relating to the beginnings of the Clan Society. Russell deserves our heartfelt thanks for his outstanding performance as Editor of An Canach.

Elsewhere in this issue you will find a couple of articles which are relative to the operation and function of the Society. I have been able to locate an individual to fill one of the positions we had vacant in the Commissioner's ranks and we will need to vote on a change to our bylaws at the AGM to permit having two secretary positions. Be sure to see these two important articles. Thanks for your continuing membership in the Clan Henderson Society.

Christi Heston Relinquishes Treasurer Position

Having served the Clan Society faithfully and well since being elected treasurer at the October 1994 AGM held at Grandfather Mountain, North Carolina, Christi Heston has found it necessary to pass her office to another Clan member.

Christi assumed responsibility for our Clan's money activities at the first of the year 1995 and has been responsible for placing the records in a computer program which permits the maintenance of

several accounts and sub-accounts. Most recent of these activities was the

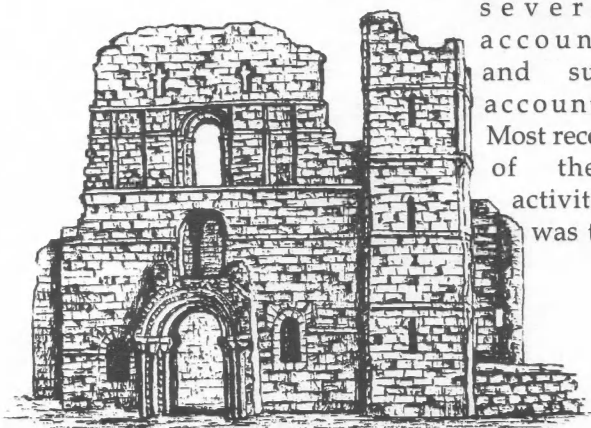
establishment of an individual account for each of our Regional Commissioner. Five dollars (\$5) of each new and renewal membership goes to the member's region to assist in the operation of that regions.

Awarded the Order of the Chief for her outstanding performance and record keeping abilities in 1997, she reported to the Society earlier in that year that we had received approval from the Internal Revenue Service to be a tax-exempt educational organization within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code of 1954. Later recognition for her outstanding abilities as treasurer was made at the Arlington, Texas AGM held in June of 2001 when she was awarded The Chief's Prize, an honor which is presented to only one individual in a given year.

Christi has found it necessary to resign her position due to pressures of the workplace (too

many promotions and added office responsibility) and had actually requested we find a replacement for her in March of last year. To locate a person who is a member of the Society and who has a background in accounting or may be a bookkeeper was not a simple task, but there was such a person out there and we finally located him. Agreeing to be the replacement for Christi, and assuming the position of treasurer this month, is Stephen G. Murphy of Malvern, Pennsylvania. Stephen not only has an extensive accounting background, but uses the same computer program in his business that was established by Christi to maintain the Clan Society's books. We welcome Stephen as our new Clan Society Treasurer and look forward to working with him in the future.

Thanks, Christi - you're great!!



Constitution And Bylaws

Changes Needed For New Secretary Position

We will be replacing our secretary, Dottie Henderson, at this year's Annual General Meeting in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. In view of needing to have a person available at all meetings of the Clan Society to record the meeting minutes, and having another person responsible for maintaining the ever increasing Clan Society's database and membership functions, we propose the following changes to the Society Constitution and Bylaws:

CONSTITUTION

Modify Article V. Officers. to read:

Section 1. The elected officers of Clan Henderson Society shall be a President, Vice President, Vice President/General Counsel, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer.

BYLAWS.

Modify Bylaw VI. Officers. to read:

Section 1. Elected Officers. The elected Officers of the Clan Henderson Society shall be President, Vice President, Vice President/General Counsel, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer. The position of Secretary (recording or membership) may be combined with that of Treasurer.

Section 7. Duties of Elected Officers.

d. The Recording Secretary will be the official recorder of any meeting minutes and shall conduct official correspondence for the Clan Society. This position will also be responsible for the preparation of all mass mailings to the Society membership. The

Recording Secretary shall perform other duties as considered necessary and specified by the President and/or the Executive Board.

e. The Membership Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Society membership rolls and the Clan Society membership in the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations. This position will also be responsible for initial mail contact with new members by providing them with Clan Society information including a membership card, current issue of An Canach and a family group sheet for recording and mailing family information to the Clan Society Genealogist. The Membership Secretary shall perform other duties as considered necessary and specified by the President and/or the Executive Board.

Change: Section 7. e. to Section 7. f.

Modify: Section 8. Duties of Commissioned Officers.

Change Paragraph one, second sentence to read (in part): coordinate with the Vice President on events, the Membership Secretary for regional membership matters, Change Paragraph one, sixth sentence to read (in part): and will submit a report on each Games or Festival to the Vice President, Membership Secretary and Treasurer at the conclusion of that event.

Modify BYLAW IX. Committees. to read (in part):

Section 1. General.

Change c. Membership Committee. Responsibilities—to read (in part):

3) Supports the Membership Secretary in handling membership administration.

Early Gatherings

JULY

- 1 Pugwash *
- Pugwash, NS
- 6 Halifax Games *
- Halifax, NS
- 6 Round Hill Highland Games
- Cranbury Park, Norwalk, CT
- 6 Wyoming Celtic Festival & Highland Games
- Cam-Plex Park, Gillette, WY
- 11-14 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games
- MacRae Meadows, Linville, NC
- 12-14 Antigonish *
- Antigonish, NS
- 13 Payson Scottish Festival
- Payson City Park, Payson, UT
- 13 Saline Celtic Festival
- Mill Pond Park, Saline, MI

- 13-14 Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire
- Manheim, PA
- 13-14 Athena Caledonian Games
- City Park, Athena, OR
- 13-14 Skagit Valley Highland Games & Scottish Falre
- Edgewater Park, Mt. Vernon, WA
- 20 Scottish Festival at Graeme Park
- Horsham, PA
- 20 Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival*
- Westfield, MA
- 20 Portland Scottish Games
- Gresham, OR
- 20-21 Virginia Scottish Games *
- Alexandria, VA
- 20-21 Rock River Valley Celtic Fest
- Roscoe, IL
- 20-21 British Isles Festival
- Harveysburg, OH

- 20-21 Columbus Scottish Festival
- Columbus, IN
- 26-28 Virginia Scottish Games
- Alexandria, VA
- 27-28 Pacific Northwest Scottish Games
- Enumclaw, WA
- 28 Celtic Festival
- Wick Park, Leetonia, OH
- AUGUST
- 2-3 Glengarry Highland Games
- Maxville, ON, Canada
- 3 Detroit Highland Games
- Livonia, MI
- 3-4 Monterey Highland Games
- Monterey, CA
- 4 Montreal Highland Games
- Verdun, QUE, Canada
- 9-11 Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games
- Fergus, ON, Canada

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MacEanruig,

"son of Henry"

Horace Loftin
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Dear Cousins:

I've written to you about putting meat onto the bare bones of genealogy by hunting down family history. Now I think it's time to add some heart to the mix.

Here is a letter, dated 1 December 1756, from a Henderson youth about to marry his sweetheart. It was written by (John) Andrew to his cousin John. Andrew was son of Samuel, one of the four Fordell lads who left Fifeshire Scotland (possibly with a stopover in Ulster) for the backwoods of Augusta Co VA about 1740. His cousin John was son of James, another of the Fordell lads. (Why, we wonder, did those Scotsmen leave home for the wilds of Virginia?).

Here's Andrew's letter. Enjoy his happiness!

And Andrew married his Mary and John married his Anne, and they all lived happily ever after! Indeed, they both left a long line of descendants including members of our Clan Henderson.

A passing thought: they will dance "until we wear our shoes out." What kind of dancing did they do? Only one generation removed from Scotland, was it

Augusta County Va.,
December 1. 1756

Dear John:

I have wanted to write you for some time to say that I am going to get married, but you know there is not good opportunity for sending letters your way. You know the lady (for we have talked about her charms before, I refer to Miss Mary Russell) to me the loveliest and most adorable of her sex. We expect to be married on Christmas Day, and the whole neighborhood will be there. I think Anne G. G. Givens will be there, and this will bring you rain or shine, no difference what. We will stay at my or her father's until the weather opens up in the Spring; then we may take up lands on the Holston; but they say 'Injuns' are worse there than in the Greenbriar, and I don't want to take any chances on Mary's silky hair adorning head but her own. Father will give us 100 acres if we stay here. This is what he gave to brother James. Tell Uncles James, Aunt Martha and the rest of the boys they must all come to the wedding too. We are going to have plenty to eat and drink, and we are going to dance until we wear our shoes out.

There is no news here, but lots of sickness, for we all have colds. All the news is that I am going to get married, and don't you forget it Jack. Give my best regards to my Uncle and Aunt and to the rest of the family. Your friend and cousin J. Andrew Henderson

old-world country dancing? Or had the change already begun toward the derivative forms "native" to the Appalachians?

At the cry, "'Your Clan Needs You!'", you (some of you, anyway!) have responded nobly. We now have an "Ulster Desk" as a central point to hunt down some of those Scotch-Irish ancestors of ours, handle those North Ireland queries, and be our

Ulster expert -in-general. Not only that (see how bureaucracy expands in accordance with the Peter Principle), we now also boast a brand new "Henry/McHenry Desk" and a "Kendrick/McKendrick Desk." Add these to our smoothly functioning and productive existing "Scottish Desk."

Here are the names and addresses of these heroes of the Clan, in case you want to contact them directly:

Ulster Desk:
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Park, FL 32064;
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2374.

**Kendrick/
McKendrick
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Henry/McHenry Desk: Richard B. (Rich)
McHenry, 401 Oakwood Dr, Enterprise AL 36330;
phone: (334) 393-3625

Scottish Desk: B. Jerold (Jerry) McClendon, 2603
Chestnut Grove Rd, Sharpsburg MD 21782; phone:
(301) 432-6150

As Tom Sawyer might say, who else can I get to whitewash the fence?

For many of your cousins who joined Clan Henderson and submitted genealogies some years past, heads up! We may have added considerably to your line since then, not to mention found and corrected errors. Beyond that, I've done some serious reviewing and overhauling of records since then, especially since my "new, improved" software has been installed.

In those early days I tried to send each of you revised printouts as changes occurred. With some 3,000 clan members now and genealogies the size of small books, I just can't do that automatically anymore. However, I will be delighted to send you an updated printout upon request. Just ask me and it will be on the way!

Horace

MacStork



Ruby Mae Frazier McKendrick, wife of Frederick A. McKendrick, mother of Ronald F. McKendrick died 20 December 2001 in Delta, Colorado.

Bob Dawson Henderson in Trenton, North Carolina. Brother of Walter P. Henderson, father of Jennifer H. Meskey, cousin of Horace Loftin, uncle of C. Christopher Henderson.

Iola May Morrison, sister of Clansman Al Peppard, died 16 June 2002 in Truro, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia.

Emma Lees Lockwood was born 4 July 2001 in New London, Connecticut, daughter of Megan and Michael Lockwood, granddaughter of Constance H. Kozak.

Wyatt Zane Rhodes was born 18 October 2001 in Harlingen, Texas, son of William and Jayne Rhodes, grandson of Mary H. Rhodes of Raymondville, Texas.

Clark Johnston Landry was born 15 December 2001 in Newton, Massachusetts, son of Michael and Stacy Landry, and grandson of Martha H. and Joe Landry of Denham Springs, Louisiana.



Flowers of the Forest

Useful Henderson Research Tools Available —

By Horace Loftin

Hendersons of

Early Alabama	(1850)	40pp	\$ 9.00
Early Alabama	(1860)	49pp	\$15.00
Early Arkansas	(1850)	28pp	\$10.00
Early California	(1850)	12pp	\$ 6.00
Early Connecticut	(1850-1870)	37pp	\$ 9.00
Early Florida	(1850-1870)	32pp	\$10.00
Early Georgia	(1850-1870)	253pp	\$27.00
Early Kentucky	(1850)	55pp	\$12.00
Early Louisiana	(1850)	26pp	\$12.00
Early Maine	(1850-1870)	96pp	\$16.00
Early Massachusetts	(1850-1870)	112pp	\$18.00
Early Mississippi	(1850)	32pp	\$ 8.00
Early Missouri	(1850)	159pp	\$21.00
Early New Hampshire	(1850-1870)	55pp	\$10.00
Early North Carolina	(1850-1870)	150pp	\$17.00
Early Pennsylvania	(1850)	106pp	\$16.00
Early South Carolina	(1850-1870)	186pp	\$20.00
Early Texas	(1850)	20pp	\$12.00
Early Texas	(1860)	46pp	\$14.00
Early Tennessee	(1850)	66pp	\$14.00
Early Vermont	(1850-1870)	34pp	\$ 9.00
Early Virginia	(1850)	62pp	\$13.00
Early Washington/Oregon	(1850-1860)	38pp	\$10.00

We have produced (and have others in the works) a series of booklets which contain ALL the Hendersons in 1850, 1860 and/or 1870 Censuses for states of special importance in tracking down those "hidden Hendersons." 1850 is, of course, the first census year in which all family members are listed. The booklets present, county by county, all Hendersons in residence, their birth years, state born in, and occasional notes on individuals and families. All names are indexed and cross-referenced to the county entries.

They also include the identification numbers used by R. H. (Bob) Henderson of Greer, South Carolina, and also those of the Clan Henderson data base for all individuals in our records. You are invited to contact me for genealogies of Hendersons so identified.

I use these constantly in my work as Clan Genealogist, and I believe you will find them excellent research tools.

We also have an outstanding booklet prepared by Clansman B. B. Shuffler, with simple but detailed information on sources for doing Henderson research, emphasis on where to go and what to look for in Scottish records: *Search for Scots*, 32pp, \$10.00

To order, specify the booklets you want and send check made out to "Clan Henderson Society," to Horace Loftin, 218 Greenwood Drive, Panama City FL 32407; phone: (850) 235-2984. Prices listed include postage.



Award Committee Announces Results

Having received nominations and applications from numerous sources within and outside the Clan Society, the Award Committee appointed by President Rex Maddox has met and is pleased to announce the following nominations for Clan Society medals, prizes and scholarships for the year 2001. The nominations have been approved by the President and select members of the Executive Board. Individuals sitting as Board members were not requested to provide comments on these nominations if they were among those persons on the list.

Order of the Chief

The Order Of The Chief is awarded to **Billy J. Henderson** of Jackson, Mississippi, Commissioner of the Mid South Region for his sustained superior performance in this position of responsibility and continued efforts in support of Clan Society objectives by increasing the membership of his region and giving freely of his time, efforts and economic resources.

The Order Of The Chief is awarded to **H.L. "Shorty" Henderson** of Irving, Texas, for his sustained participation as an active clan member attending gatherings across the United States, carrying the banner, helping to meet new members and remaining involved in support of Clan Society objectives while giving freely of his time, efforts and economic resources.

The Order Of The Chief is awarded to **J. Michael Henderson** of Annapolis, Maryland, formerly Commissioner of the Mid East Region and Convenor of this region, for his continuing outstanding efforts in support of Clan Society objectives while giving freely of his time, efforts and economic resources.

The Chief's Prize

The Chief's Prize is awarded to **Suzanne Keifer** of Lilburn, Georgia, for her sustained outstanding efforts in support of Clan Society objectives during the past ten years, having assisted in the convening of Clan Society tents at numerous events and bringing the Henderson name before the public by winning several "Best Tent" awards for her imaginative decorative methods. Her continuing support of the youth of the Society has extended to dancers, fiddlers, band members and others who were involved in study of the Gaelic and Scottish arts. She receives this award with the sincere thanks of the Officers and members of the Society.

Chief's Youth Award

The Clan Henderson Society is pleased to award a Youth Scholarship to **Chelsea Carter** of Savannah, Georgia to aid in the furthering of her training in highland dance. Chelsea has been competing as a dancer for several years and is progressing through the levels of proficiency in an orderly manner. She has been a supporter of the Society's activities by participating in Games, Festivals, parades and ceilidhs. It is a pleasure for the Committee to award this \$250 Youth Scholarship to Chelsea to assist in her desire for further excellence in the performance

of highland dances.

The Clan Henderson Society is pleased to award a Youth Scholarship to **Jacob Craig** of Blairsville, Georgia to aid in his training as a student of the great highland bagpipes. James has been studying the instrument for a number of years and has progressed up the ladder of proficiency in piping. He currently is a member of the Atlanta Pipe Band and performs with that organization on a regular basis. On behalf of the Clan Henderson Society, the Committee is pleased to present Jacob with this award of \$250 to further his musical training on the bagpipes.

The Clan Henderson Society is pleased to award a Youth Scholarship to **Erin Donegan** of Kenosha, Wisconsin to further her proficiency in the playing of the violin in the Scottish fashion of fiddle playing. Erin has been a student of the violin for the past four years and desires to expand her repertoire to include the playing of Scottish and other Celtic music. This award of \$250 is made by the Committee with pleasure, to assist Erin in her fiddle training.

The Clan Henderson Society is pleased to award a Youth Scholarship to **Shannon Donegan** of Kenosha, Wisconsin to assist in her advanced training in the playing of the flute. Shannon has become very proficient on the flute during the past five years and desires to expand her capabilities on this instrument. She has entered the realm of playing Scottish and Irish music recently and has attained recognition in contests for her excellence in this area. It is with pleasure that the Awards Committee presents this \$250 scholarship to Shannon for the furtherance of her proficiency in the playing of the flute.

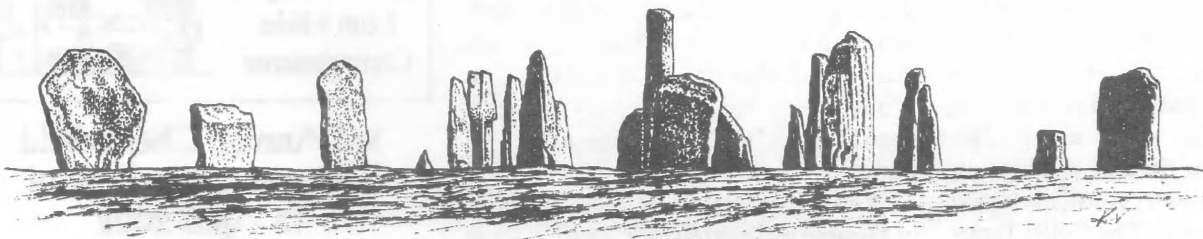
The Clan Henderson Society is pleased to award a Youth Scholarship to **Caitlin Donegan** of Kenosha, Wisconsin to assist in her quest to become more proficient in the playing of the great highland bagpipes and penny whistle. Caitlin has been playing the penny whistle for approximately ten years and although self taught, has progressed to an elevated level of proficiency on this instrument. The instruction she has received on the bagpipes has, for the most part, been from local teachers and she desires to expand her capabilities on this instrument by attending a camp where instructors of international reputation will be providing the instruction. The Awards Committee is very pleased to provide this \$250 Youth Scholarship to Caitlin for the furtherance of her musical proficiency on both instruments.

The Clan Henderson Society is pleased to award a Youth Scholarship to **Greg Hicks** of Alexandria, Virginia to further his training on the great highland pipes and proficiency as a highland dancer. Greg has been studying the pipes for several years and has become a very proficient musician, progressing up the ladder of standards within the piping community. He has studied the highland dance and become a premier dancer performing in many venues other than those associated with the Scottish community. A supporter of Clan Society objectives, Greg performs on his pipes and dances at Society functions, marches in parades as a Clan Piper and gives of his time and efforts freely. The Committee is very pleased to be able to award this \$250 scholarship to Greg for his training in both the piping and dancing fields and in recognition of his continuing outstanding performance in support of Clan Society objectives.

The Clan Henderson Society is pleased to award a Youth Scholarship to **Kathryn Henderson** of Knoxville, Maryland to further her musical studies on the flute. Kathryn has been a musical student for several years and has become very proficient in

playing the flute. She has performed at numerous events including ceilidhs and Clan Society functions and shows great promise as a musician. Kathryn is also studying Scottish Country Dance and performs regularly with dance groups. It is with great pleasure that the Committee awards this \$250 Youth Scholarship to aid in furthering Kathryn's studies in the musical field.

The Awards Committee wishes to advise members of the Clan Society that it recommends recipients of the above listed awards based on criteria established some time ago by Clan Society leaders. It recognizes first those individuals who are Clan Society members or of the family of members and then individuals who have supported the Clan Society—involvement with the clan is the key. Several applications for scholarships were received which were not approved because the letters requesting the scholarships were not written by the individual. Criteria for the award of Scholarships require a letter from a young person (under the age of 26) who has begun a course of instruction in a particular field and desires to expand knowledge or proficiency in that field.



North Pacific Region Has New Commissioner

We have been very fortunate to locate an individual who is willing to assume the position of Commissioner of the North Pacific Region. Our search for a replacement of Brad Baller, the former Commissioner, was caused by pressures of the workplace for Brad, not an uncommon situation for persons volunteering to fill vacancies within organizations such as ours. Letters were initiated to certain members in the North Pacific Region in our search for a replacement and several replies were received. The selection of Dixie Henderson-Newby of Couer d' Alene, Idaho was finally made after a recommendation received from Mr. Baller.

Dixie resides with her husband, Wayne and four boys in Idaho and only last year became an active member of the Clan Society. She has stated that she and husband Wayne will be sharing the

responsibilities of the position and are both equally interested in the Clan Society and educating others about it. She has indicated the family will be attending many of the events held in the North Pacific Region this year after assuming her official position on 1 July and accepting the Badge of Office, a Henderson cap badge with feather, from her predecessor at the Enumclaw (Pacific N.W. Highland Games), Washington, event in late July.

We are very pleased to welcome Dixie Henderson-Newby as our newest Regional Commissioner and wish her well in the management her Region and area of responsibility. Let me quote from a recent correspondence from Dixie—"I agree that we need to 'raise the bar' on getting to more of these Scottish events and getting our family present to reach out to more of our cousins".



Games, Festivals, and Gatherings



**South Pacific Region
Larry Mae Phillips
Commissioner**



21st Annual Hawaiian Scottish Festival 6-7 April 2002

by Jackie and Larry Lee Phillips

Aloha. This is the first year Clan Henderson has been represented at the Clan tent in Hawaii. This is our third year attending the festival and the largest participation so far. Curiosity is what got us there in the first place and the people bring us back. There is a warm aloha spirit and a special beauty that is Hawaii. The residents of this state enjoy the recognition of their diverse population and its history. Hawaii proudly has two pipe and drum bands, The Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawaii and Hawaiian Thistle Band.

Our clan table stayed fairly busy, but the surprises were Sunday. Reay and Norina Henderson of county Durham, England dropped by, still with jet lag, before they headed out on a cruise, because they heard the pipes. Reay said that he didn't think there were that many kilts in Scotland. Not long after, Joy Henderson from Martin-borough, New Zealand, stopped by. We met quite a few residents of Hawaii who are Henderson, McHenry, and Henry. We even had our member Danny R. Henderson of Auburn, Georgia come by and say "Hi."



The largest participation in the heavy athletic events ever and the first year for the women. Corporal Brandy Mulligan, USMC from Texas, stationed in Hawaii, won the Women's Open Amateur, her first time competing. Staff Sergeant Andrew Kirchen, US Army from South Dakota, stationed in Hawaii, won the Men's Open Amateur, his first time competing. Our military was well represented also by Petty Officer First Class Tanya Bowling, USN, Illinois; Corporal Joel McCoy, USMC, California; Sergeant Nick Taylor, USMC; and Chief Rick Adams, USN, Idaho. It was wonderful to have them be a part of the games. In the housewife event, Roxanne Stewart from California won the prized Mango wood rolling pin. While throwing the Haggis she was heard to say, "Got to feed my man, he's hungry."

We are looking forward to seeing you in Honolulu, Hawaii, 5-6 April 2003 at Kapiolani Park. Aloha

Storytelling at the Loch Prado Games

by CúChoinneach MacEanruig an t-Seannachaidh, Keeper and Teller of Stories, Fables, Myths, Histories and Lore of the Western Highlands and Islands

On 4-5 May 2002 at the Loch Prado Highland Games and Gathering in Chino, California. CúChoinneach MacEanruig, aka Kenneth Henderson the former convenor for Clan Henderson in Southern California, performed as a *Seannachaidh* (storyteller). He told a number of West Highland folktales including: "The Sprightly Tailor," "The Faery Flag," "The Fomorii Princess," "The Kelpi," and "Conall of the Yellow Hands."

Kenneth convened for Clan Henderson from 1994 to 1999. In 1999

he returned to school and went to the University of Glasgow in Scotland for a year to learn more about the history and folklore of the Western Highlands and Islands of Scotland. Kenneth's goal is to re-introduce these stories back to American descendants of Scottish ancestors. Folktales reveal a lot about a culture and can tell us much about who our ancestors were. He hopes everyone who came out gained some culture as they listened to the yarns of this seannachaidh, who is after all, a cousin!

**Mid East Region
Leon Hicks
Commissioner**



3rd Annual Chesterfield Celtic Heritage Festival 13 April 2002

by Christian Garin

With rain in the forecast and a little "rusty" from the winter, I set sail early Saturday morning for the 3rd Annual Chesterfield Celtic Heritage Festival 2002, and since it was my first time there, I did not quite know what to expect of the day.

This relatively small event was well organized and the setting, in the Pocahontas State Park, was beautiful and soothing. I am not sure that this event is one that I would necessarily recommend for a solo act, as the vendors and clans were set up in a wooded area with the drop off parking lot quite a distance away, thus requiring many trips back and forth with the equipment. On the other end, it was small enough to start the year at a slow pace and check out the equipment.

For once, the Henderson pantry was empty, for some unexplainable reason. However with Clan Little on one side



sharing their whiskey and the Morrisons on the other side sharing their haggis, who needed a pantry?

There were quite a few vendors and about nine clans were represented; the entertainment was good, and I consider this event, along with the one in Hanover County, to be local events that will continue to grow in popularity.

The public really started showing up in the early part of the afternoon and the flow was steady until the end of the day, and on top of that, the weather turned out quite pleasant as it never rained. Member Tim Clonts and two of his children visited for a while. I was also delighted to meet and visit with David Henderson, of Richmond, Virginia, who joined as one of our newest members.

Southern Maryland Celtic Festival 27 April 2002

by Christian Garin

Traditionally hosted by Mike and Joan Henderson, I had offered to substitute for them this year since they would be out of town. Mike was able to squeeze in a few hours of his time that morning to help me set up before his early afternoon flight. With his help and that of Rex and Pat Maddox, we quickly got the tent organized just in time for the opening of the festival.

Soon after Mike left, Leon and Ann Hicks, and son Greg showed up. Greg was competing most of the day in Highland dancing. We had set up a COSCA information table in one corner of the Henderson tent, and Pat and Rex

of course stayed very busy with the usual COSCA activities. Rex, however, managed to help Leon and me with the frequent visitors that we



hosted throughout the day.

The parade of clans was attended by many clans, and included Rex, Leon and myself for Clan Henderson. We were blessed by the visit of Robert and Gail Hendry, visiting with son Robert and daughters Katherine and Samantha. They spent a good deal of time with us and became new members. Also visiting our tent were members Liz Dietrich, of Annandale, Virginia and Bruce Henderson, of Alexandria, Virginia.

Thanks to the great turnout of helpers, I felt a little spoiled and was able to take frequent breaks and visit with other friends and clan members. Adding to that, the tent next to us provided live music entertainment, and it was once again a fun event.

It was a blessing that this was a one day event only; the area was severely hit by an F5 deadly tornado the very next day!

Bonnie Brae Scottish Festival Liberty Corner, NJ

by William E. Henderson

We had a beautiful day at Bonnie Brae this year for a day packed with all the Scottish competitions, demonstrations, vendors, and events.

Clan members Ginny Morningstern (piper) and Ed Brett and daughter Jenny (drummers) performed in one of the dozen+ pipe bands present.

Ed's other daughter, Leslie, performed in Scottish dance competition.

Member Andrew Holt, in Henderson kilt, and his wife Rebecca represented the clan in the opening ceremonies.

Several membership forms were given out to potential new members.

The massed bands performed twice.

Hanover County Celtic Festival

17-19 May 2002

by Christian Garin

This was the second Hanover Games. The site had been changed from last year, and the Friday night evening Ceilidh was uneventful with a nice buffet presented to patrons and a handful of clans represented at the bond fire ceremony. Saturday morning



started with a disaster. Low dark skies, heavy wind and torrential rain covered the field upon my arrival, and many tents that had been set up the night before had been reduced to twisted frames and torn canopies. At one point, I thought I had a break in the weather and attempted to set up the tent, only to give up when the wind started lifting it up while I was hanging on; picture Mary Poppins hanging on to dear life! Only much later in the morning did the rain stop and I finally was able to set up. Shortly after, Pat and Rex Maddox showed up. At the opening ceremonies, I was chosen to be part of the color guard, while Pat and Rex stayed busy with the COSCA activities, collecting nearly forty COSCA cards by day's end. Member Tim Clonts visited for a while, and Mary Henderson Miller, of Colonial Heights, Virginia became a new member.

Potomac Celtic Festival 8-9 June 2002

by Christian Garin

Great weather, great company, great attendance, great entertainment, and so overall great turn out! No wonder this is one of my favorite local games! As usual, these games were well organized. Saturday had promised to be a hot day, and Sunday even hotter; so the coolers were packed with all the goodies





Great Lakes Region
Douglas Henderson
Commissioner



10th Annual Edinboro Highland Games and Scottish Festival

by Margaret and John Walker

The 10th Annual Edinboro Highland Games and Scottish Festival on 17-19 May was a big success for the Clan Henderson Society. For the first time, there was a designated Clan. Our Clan received the honor partly because a Henderson gave \$5000 to start a scholarship at Edinboro University for a student to study at University of Edinburgh in Scotland. Anyone can contribute to this and when it reaches \$10,000 the scholarship will become active.

Douglas Henderson, Commissioner of Great Lakes Region brought all the equipment we needed and as fast as possible we were ready to receive guests. It was cold and rainy and there was heavy rain right after we had shelter. Dr. Thompson, Festival Director, moved opening ceremonies inside with the Henderson Clan having the most members in review, as in previous years.

Sheila Grosssholz became a new member in time to march with the Hendersons. Brian Olson renewed but missed parading because he was competing in athletic events. Andy and Jim Henderson from Cleveland's Gaelic Imports, paraded in ancient athletic attire. My family included 4 year old Zachary and 6 year old Devon, who carried the banner.

The sun was shining after the review so we had many guests. Promptly, at 4 p.m. the clouds blew in, guests left and Clans and vendors packed their belongings. Just as we got in our cars there was a violent hail storm.

The weather soon cleared and we had an easy trip to the Ceilidh. We had a full table of Hendersons. It was John and my first Ceilidh. I would advise everyone interested in Scottish traditions to attend our Ceilidh next year. The entertainment included the Chelsea

House Orchestra Concert. They are worth hearing without the banquet which was truly gourmet.

[Great Lakes Commissioner Doug reports that the octogenarians took the big step and convened this event—a first time experience. They had four generations of their family in the Parade of Clans. They are really on a roll, so take Margaret's advice and join them next year.]

Far South Region
Kenneth Thiry
Commissioner



Oklahoma Heritage Games Edmond, Oklahoma

by Laura Davis-Thiry
Secy/Treas Far South Region

The games were wonderful this year. Once again the first weekend of spring raised it's windy head....but not near as coldly as last year. The new venue of Hafer Park in Edmond, Oklahoma, proved to be just wonderful. The park is multi-tiered with lots of trees. This is a beautiful park for our Scottish games. The city of Edmond promoted the games...even in the state tourism books. The host hotel (Ramada) had us listed on their information/things to do cards in each hotel room. The cost for a double room was \$59.00/night. This included a full breakfast. The hotel is four blocks away from the park!! The attendance was wonderful. The talent was superior. The clan tents were great.

There was stiff competition for the honored clan for 2003.....but Clan Henderson won. We are the honored clan! We will be listed as such for the brochures and all advertising concerning next year's games. I want to thank USCO (United Scottish Clans of Oklahoma) for giving Clan Henderson such an honor. We will do our best to support the games. I was presented a beautiful Waterford crystal statue to have in our honored tent next year. There was a special presentation from the state of Oklahoma Tourism department to two of the USCO members. The promotion of the Oklahoma Heritage Games was noticed

needed to live in style and in as much comfort as possible for the two day event.

Pat and Rex Maddox set up their COSCA tent next to us, and were extremely busy throughout the weekend. At the Henderson tent, Leon and Greg Hicks showed up on Saturday morning and helped hold the fort. Steve and Janeil Henderson and daughters joined later that afternoon and helped with the closing of the tent. We had a steady flow of visitors throughout the day, and we had the pleasure to sign up new members, as listed below. Clan Henderson was represented at the opening ceremonies as I had the honor of being selected for the Color Guard. Saturday night, a great Ceilidh kept us going past midnight.

Sunday came probably a little too quickly for me, after the Saturday night Ceilidh, but the hearty breakfast served by the great folks at the hospitality tent got us right on our feet. Ann and Leon Hicks helped throughout the day, with Rex jumping in as frequently as needed, and again, a steady flow of visitors and new members joined to share the family atmosphere. Allen Spitzer, a new member, from Harrisonburg, Virginia joined Rex and me at the Parade of the Clans. New members for the week end also included Vicki and David Caddis, from Herndon, Virginia; Olivia Henry, from Waterford, Virginia; Barbara and Harlee Pate, from Madison, Virginia; Jennifer and James Willis, from nearby Berryville; Mary Henderson Askew, from Staunton, Virginia; and John and Barbara Henderson, from Claremore, Oklahoma. We also had the pleasure of a visit by Angela Gray from Aldie Virginia, who renewed her membership.



Laura Venable, took first place.

on the state government level. Plan to attend! It is a great games. The weekend of 21-23 March 2003.

We had a new member at the games. We also appointed our regional piper, Dr. Philip Smith of Texas. He is a member of the 23rd Street Pipers. Our favorite dancer, Laura Venable, took first place. She is hoping to start teaching dance in a couple of years. Clan Henderson is so proud of her dedication (and her parents!).

Kenny and I want to thank Sue and Dick Hoffman for their fantastic support!!! Can't do it without you. We also want to thank Tom and Linda Hendricks. Their support of the Clan Henderson and USCO is allowing Clan Henderson to get great exposure. Tom is serving the position of bodyguard well. During our parade, Tom looked the part, carrying the claymore high. The TV cameras zoomed in on Tom....nothing like media attention. Linda is always finding new ways to promote the Scottish ways. Her ideas are superior!!! We would also like to thank our son, Nathan, for being a part of this weekend. He stated to Sue and I that the games are the only place he feels out of place without a skirt....we replied it is the only place I want him to feel out of place without a skirt. He going for the muted kilt (Pres. Rex wore one last year and it became Nathan's favorite.).

We consider the Oklahoma Heritage

games as the season kickoff. If the rest of the season proves half as fun.... the Far South Region is the place to be.

Batesville, Arkansas **by Laura Davis-Thiry** **Sec/Treas Far South Region**

For those of us who have not been to Scotland; we have but stories and pictures to reference. This is until you go the small college town of Batesville, Arkansas. One hour north of Little Rock. The home of Lyon College (formerly Arkansas College) and the second oldest town in Arkansas. Nestled in the Ozark Mountains is the college that promotes Scottish life. The college president was in his kilt and the emcee for the event. The pipe band of Lyon College took 2nd place in the world competition in Scotland. And their dancers were fantastic!! The games are located on the campus and the whole college takes part in the event. The games are not big in number. But, huge in atmosphere and spirit of the games.

There are only four hotels in town. You make your reservation a year in advance, if possible (Kenny and I were lucky this year and a last minute cancellation allowed us a room. We reserved it for next year when we checked out.) Two of the hotels are right next to each other. So, we all gathered around the pool/courtyard of the Ramada and had a fantastic time. Four members and one family renewed at the games. And the Henderson merchandise flew out of the tent. We met some wonderful people and everyone had a great time.

Our dancer, Laura Venable was there not only competing but mentoring younger dancers as well. Once again Laura placed well in competition. Scott Barger's daughter was also completing. She received most promising new dancer. Scott is the President/CEO of United Scottish Clans of Oklahoma. He is very instrumental in the Edmond, Oklahoma games, and promoting Scottish Heritage in Oklahoma. Just another of the great people you meet at the games!!

We certainly enjoyed the Wallaces, Dick and Jane. They are so knowledgeable on Scottish Heritage.



Stew and Lori Joslin were there with the Oklahoma Pipe Band. Stew is the band manager. And also teaches ... for free! We talked about how big our region is and Stew agreed to help out on the piper position for the region. We have Dr. Philip, of Texas, as regional piper, as well. I think secretly Kenny wants a Henderson pipe band in his own region!

On Sunday morning, we opened up the tent. And as I looked out and down the hill there was the beautiful lake. The mist was just rising off the water. And the spring greenery was just perfect. There was a lone piper silhouetted among the trees and lake. The tones of the pipe wafted up the hill towards us. Stirring the soul with as much patriotic pride as hearing the U.S. national anthem. After all, our people were Scottish before they became American. Kenny and I stood arm in arm and smiled each other without speaking a word we knew that moments like this are why we are so proud to part of Clan Henderson, and our Scottish Heritage.

Come join us next year. You will never forget it!

Mid Central Region
Charles B. Henderson
Commissioner



Missouri's
First 'Tartan Day' Parade
St. Charles, Missouri
6 April 2002



Missouri's first "Tartan Day" parade was held 6 April in St. Charles, Missouri, a suburb of St. Louis. Charles B. Henderson, commissioner for the Mid-Central Region, represented Clan Henderson, joining some ten other Scottish Clans.

Also joining in the day's festivities were Scottish military re-enactors, Scottish entertainers, a pipe band, and the mayor of St. Charles, who read a proclamation declaring every 6 April as Tartan Day in the city.



Scottish Highland Games of Mississippi

by Billy Henderson

Clan Henderson was honored clan at the games held in Jackson on March 23. We had a nice beginning with seven members attending the sponsor and patron reception on Friday evening before the games.

We were concerned about the weather since the forecast for Friday night was 26 degrees. The day dawned with a chilly 35 degrees and a warming sun. It turned out to be a beautiful day.

We had two tents set up side by side, with a Henderson banner and tartan flag on each side. Henderson shields were displayed on three sides, and at the center front an American flag atop a 16' pole displayed beautifully in the wind that continued throughout the day. Our tent was carpeted and there was an abundance of tartan on the tables.



In Mississippi from left to right are: Billy Henderson, Governor Ronnie Musgrove, Rex Maddox. The photo was taken by Warren Henderson.

Since we were honored clan, our president, Rex Maddox, and Mississippi governor, Ronnie Musgrove, shared the podium at the opening ceremonies. After the speeches, Rex and I invited Governor Musgrove to the clan tent where we presented him with a Clan Henderson cap. (See photo taken by Warren Henderson.)

Rex Maddox, my wife Dawn and I were pleased with the number of Clan Henderson Society members who attended. They included Warren and Polly Henderson, Steve Carter, Walter and Louise Loepke, Van and Bill Pinney, Edsel D. Henderson, and Bobby and Ann Henderson. Additionally, we signed up Ricky and Amy Henderson, Bruce and Becky Breland, Dewitt E. Watkins and Mary Anne Shelton Day.

We had visitors throughout the day. The COSCA table set up within our tents kept Rex and Steve busy. Warren Henderson provided excellent assistance. Lunch was served in the tent to members and visitors.



The number of visitors increased after lunch. With our ranks swelled by friends of the Clan, we marched proudly in the Parade of Tartans. During the afternoon, three local television reporters stopped for interviews with Rex and me. That evening he was on two television news reports and I was on the third.

Members stayed through the day, and new members joined our group, staying with us at the tent. It appeared that our entire group enjoyed the day. There were comments from others to that effect. One member of another clan was heard proclaiming that he was going to look over his family tree, that he knew there had to be a Henderson in his line somewhere.

We ended the day with a Henderson ceilidh at our home. It was well attended by members and friends.



On the march in Aiken, South Carolina

South East Region
Harry J. Keifer
Commissioner



Loch Norman Highland Games

20-21 April 2002

by Suzanne Keifer

Be prepared is how the motto goes. You just never know about Loch Norman-bring your parkas and heavy sweaters, your rain gear, and this year you needed your bathing suit. Hot, hot, hot was the order for both days and the threat of daily thunderstorms actually welcomed this time. I don't think it kept the crowds away and the Games appeared well attended both days.

The Henderson tent is always bristling with activity and this year we filled up three tents! We had a huge double tent on the field and a single tent in the back for the incredible food spread put on by Dee Henderson. DeeDee, you outdid yourself this time! Many kudos to you! She not only provided us with two days of fantastic food (barbecue, casseroles, wings, meatballs, dessert and drinks) but also fed the Loch Norman Pipe Band (no easy task as they're pretty much their own massed band nowadays).

The Games began with a Call to the Clans Friday evening. David Henderson of Winston-Salem, North Carolina did a wonderful job of answering the call. More than eighty clans answered the call and it is always a very impressive ceremony to torchlight. The Hendersons also have a tradition at Loch Norman to christen

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Clan Henderson Memorabilia

Item	Color	Size	Price	Color	Size	Price	Color	Size	Price
Tees									
	Blue	XXL	\$12.00	Green	XXL	\$12.00	Black	XXL	\$12.00
	Blue	XL	\$10.00	Green	XL	\$10.00	Black	XL	\$10.00
	Blue	L	\$10.00	Green	L	\$10.00			
	Blue	M	\$10.00	Green	M	\$10.00			
	Blue	S	\$10.00	Green	S	\$10.00			
Sweats									
	Blue	XXL	\$18.00	Green	XXL	\$18.00			
	Blue	X L	\$15.00	Green	XL	\$15.00			
	Blue	L	\$15.00	Green	L	\$15.00			
Caps, Golf									
	Blue		\$ 6.00	Green		\$ 6.00			
Decal									
	Inside		\$1.50	Outside		\$1.50			
Kilt Pins			\$12.00						
Lapel Pins			\$10.00						
Badges			\$12.00						
Pendants			\$10.00						
Clan Tags			\$ 6.00						
Tote Bags			\$10.00						

See Rex's article
on the worsted
wool tartan
material on
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Information on the Cotton Tartan Material

Ancient Henderson sett, 54 inches wide. Sells for \$15/yd plus shipping. The material is 100% cotton, and will not hold pleats, as in Kilts. Can be used for skirts, shirts, tablecloths, curtains or whatever. However, because it is cotton, it has some shrinkage, and should be washed before any clothing is made with it.

Clan Henderson memorabilia may be obtained at Clan Henderson tents, from your regional commissioners, or from the clan quartermaster. [See page 23 for contact information.]

Henderson Tartan Blessed at the National Cathedral, Washington, D.C.

by Christian Carin

On Sunday April 28, the Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, DC held the 60th annual Kirkin' o' the Tartan at the National Cathedral Church of Saints Peter and Paul. Thanks to my dear friends of the Society, I was invited to march in the procession with members of the Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, DC, joined by members of the Saint Andrew's Society of Baltimore. We processed into the Cathedral and up the main aisle preceded by the Society's Pipe Band. The service began with the Call to Worship by the Chaplain of the Saint Andrew's Society. Prayers, lessons and a sermon followed. The service concluded with the officers and members of the Society taking the tartans of the various clans, including our ancient tartan, up to the High Altar to be blessed by the Society Chaplain. Members of the Societies then proceeded down the main aisle and out of the Cathedral led by the Pipe Band.

The Kirkin' o' The Tartan has its origins in the eighteenth century. After Scottish patriots were defeated at the battle of Culloden in 1745, the British Parliament passed the Parliamentary Act of 1746

which banned the kilt and every other tartan garment in an effort to destroy Highland clan identity. Not easily deterred, defiant Scots secretly carried remnants of their tartans to church. The ministers would then add a blessing into the service for the tartans and the clans they represented.

This service has been held in the National Cathedral for many years. However, the Society's annual service began a decade earlier. In 1941, as the war in Europe was escalating, former Saint Andrew's Society President Dr. Peter Marshall, who served as the Chaplain of the Senate, initiated the Kirkin' o' the Tartan in this country. For the first nine years the service was held at Dr. Marshall's New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. The service in was moved in 1950 and later years to other Presbyterian Churches in Washington and in 1954 to the Cathedral where the service has been held ever since. In recent years other St. Andrew's Societies and various Scottish organizations throughout this country celebrate their Scottish heritage by conducting Kirkin' o the Tartan services in their local areas.

"The Silent Ones, A Legacy of the Highland Clearances"

CD recently released by Angus Macleod of Huron Township, Ontario, tells tragic, triumphant tale of the Highland Clearances



Kincardine, Ontario. The anguish of leaving the only home they had ever known. And the triumph of finding a new home. That's the true story told in the new CD, "The Silent Ones, A Legacy of the Highland Clearances," recently released by Angus Macleod of Huron Township, Ontario.

In music and song, the CD tells a tale of tragedy and triumph, chronicling the migration of 109 families from the island of Lewis, in Scotland's Outer Hebrides, to the remote backwoods of 19th

Century Upper Canada. Victims of a kind of ethnic cleansing, known as the Highland Clearances, the Lewis emigrants were evicted from their Hebridean crofts in 1851, by landowner James Matheson.

The crofters were then transported overseas where they settled together in a block of farms in Bruce County, Ontario, maintaining their language and culture well into the 20th Century. The group has become known as the Lewis Settlers. "The Silent Ones" is especially close to Macleod's heart as he is a direct descendant of these Gaelic pioneers.

The impetus to tell the story of the Lewis Settlers struck him while he was standing on a lonely windswept stretch of land at the edge of Europe almost four years ago. The location was the isle of Lewis where, on a cold and rainy November morning, Macleod found himself surveying the ocean and a tiny collection of ruins which looked

more like randomly placed rock piles than former dwellings.

Macleod had come to Lewis with his aging father to find the village of their ancestors. With the village in sight and tears dripping down his cheeks from the emotion of the moment and from the gale force winds pounding off the Atlantic, the motivation to pursue his lifelong dream came like a thunderclap.

"The trip was very emotional," says Macleod. "My father was 82 at the time and not in the best of health. I think he wanted to see where his family came from before he passed on."

Returning to Canada, Macleod "picked up stakes" and moved to Huron Township, the exact location of most of the events described in "The Silent Ones." The CD was recorded at his own multi-track recording facility located on a plot of land first settled by his great-grandfather and namesake, Angus Macleod.

"My wife and I can just step out of our back door and walk along the little stream where my great-grandparents strolled over a century ago, and just two concessions over from our farm is the Lewis Cemetery, a site I have often frequented for inspiration," says Macleod.

During the recording of "The Silent Ones," he found himself taking long early morning walks to the 150 year-old cemetery situated in a remote bushland section of Huron Township. Along the way, he would pass the location of the settlers' first church which his great, great-grandfather helped to build in 1858. He would also go by the ashen grove where the Lewis folk held open-air Gaelic church services upon their arrival in the wilderness.

"The first time I visited the Lewis Cemetery, I had this very definite feeling that I had been there before," says Macleod. "It was almost like an early childhood memory. I asked my father about it and he assured me that I had never, ever been there. I have since put it down to some kind of genetic recall."

The 64-minute CD was recorded between February, 1998, and July, 2000, and meticulously combines state-of-the-art keyboard and computer technology with traditional instruments, such as Highland bagpipe, fiddle, whistle, mandolin and hammer dulcimer. Vocals are shared by Macleod and two wonderful young female vocalists from Kincardine, Ontario, both of whom are of Highlana descent.

The recording was mastered by George Graves, one of Canada's foremost audio technicians,





renowned for his work on CD's by Loreena McKennitt, U2, Peter Gabriel and a host of other world-class performers.

The CD is unique in its use of narration and spoken word. The spoken word acts as a thread woven throughout the fabric of the piece, connecting the songs and instrumental music together. Mostly in Gaelic, these sections add a mystical atmosphere to the CD.

"I remember taking a break from recording one evening, stepping outside to catch a breath of night air," recalls Macleod. "I had left the tape machine running and one of the Gaelic portions was drifting out the studio window; the ancient words of the text bouncing off the trees and floating across the fields down to the tiny stream at the back of our property. In a moment of enlightenment, I realized that these old words, now foreign to the area's residents, had not been spoken here since my great-grandparents' time. As the words echoed carelessly around my great-grandfather's former homestead, I swear I could feel his spirit in the rustling of the trees and the gentle motion of the summer breeze."



Each CD includes a twenty-page booklet, outlining the story of the Highland Clearances. The CD's are \$18 (US), \$23 (Canadian) or 10 Pounds (UK) and are available by contacting Torquil Productions at P.O. Box 303, Kincardine, Ontario, N2Z 2Y8; phone: (519) 396-7337; toll-free: (877) 489-4693 (US and Canada); fax: (519) 396-7317; e-mail: info@torquil.net; website: www.torquil.net where there is secure on-line credit card sales. All major credit cards accepted. The Silent Ones is also available in audio cassette format at a cost of \$14 (US), \$18 (Canadian) or 8 Pounds (UK)..

Henderson - Lewis Family Reunion Staunton River State Park Halifax County, Virginia 20 October 2002 by Dudley Lewis

The 3rd Annual Henderson-Lewis Family Reunion will be held from 12:00 noon until 6:00 P.M. on 20 October 2002 at Staunton River State Park in Shelter No. 2. This Reunion is for the descendants of Levi Lewis, John E. Henderson and Richard Clark Henderson, all of the Oak Level / Vernon Hill area of Halifax County, Virginia.

John E. Henderson and Richard Clark Henderson are the 2nd great grandsons of Richard Henderson Sr. of Henrico County, Virginia, and are 2nd cousins to one another. Levi Lewis is the great grandson of Charles Lewis of Mine Branch in Pittsylvania County, Virginia.

If you are not sure, and you had Lewis or Henderson ancestors from Halifax County, come anyway we are bound to be cousins. Come and share information, and pictures, of your family. Learn what others have discovered about our shared ancestors.

Bring a covered dish to share and any specific beverages that you might prefer. Coffee and Tea will be available. If you are coming from a far distance and cannot bring food, that is great; there is always plenty for a distant cousin.

For additional information, please contact Dudley Lewis: phone: (757) 208-3212; e-mail, dudleylewis@cox.net.

[Ed note: We are looking for an article with photographs after this family event.]

Do you know who this historic Henderson was?



Drop a note to the editor to say "Hi" and let me know who you think it is. How did you learn his name?



Bagpipes, a Short History

by John R. Bergquist, Clan Piper

The Great Highland Bagpipes are true musical instruments but are still classified as "Weapons of War" and as such, in a military unit they are stored not with the musical instruments, but rather in the armory with the rest of the weapons.

The Bagpipe has a long history dating back to the beginning of civilization. A form of the bagpipe was used in Egyptian times.

Forms of the bagpipe were carried by the Greeks and Romans throughout Europe and has remained popular through the centuries. It was the most used instrument in Central, Southern and Western Europe and the favorite instruments of the wandering minstrels who provided most of the music of the times.

The bagpipe was carried to Briton by the Celts and Romans and flourished for centuries as the instrument of the common people. It was played at fairs,

weddings, open air dancing, pageants and all sorts of processions and merry making. In the Highlands of Scotland, its martial music appealed to the warlike spirit of the people. It fitted the Clan system operation in the Highlands; the chieftains having their own pipes, in many cases a hereditary office.

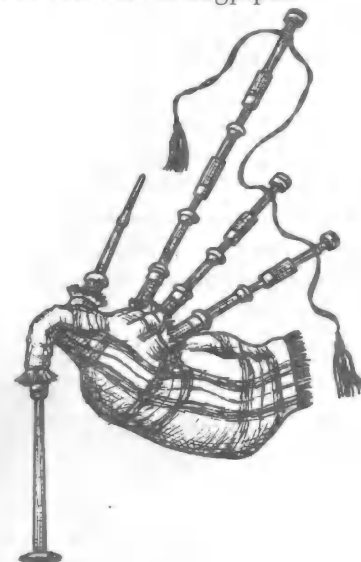
The original form of the bagpipe (one drone, blow pipe and chanter) remained unaltered until the Scots added a second drone in 1500AD, the third drone was added in 1650 AD. In 1746 the Duke of Cumberland soundly defeated the Highland Army of Bonnie Prince Charlie, and the terms of surrender were that the Scots would no longer carry arms, wear the Kilt or play the bagpipes, under penalty of death. This order remained in effect until 1782. During this period the bagpipe appeared to be lost throughout the world.

The bagpipe became the favorite music of Scottish soldiers who enlisted in the British Army. The number of pipers killed in action far exceeded that of any other specialist who went into action. This was primarily

because it was the pipers who led the charges when they went into action. It is also known that many a piper, after being captured by the enemy, was sentenced to death simply because by playing the pipes on the field of battle, they incited the soldiers to action.

The bagpipes are used in nearly every country in the world. The oldest known bagpipe in existence is in Edinburgh, Scotland and dates from the 15th century.

Nothing stirs the heart of a Scot like the sound of bagpipes.



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new kilts. This year Mack Henderson had all the novices' shot glasses engraved with the Loch Norman Games emblem—a truly classy touch and the novices got to keep the shot glasses! Pastor Jeff Lowrance christened thirty-nine new kilts this year and Clan Chaplain Fred Sanford christened the kilts of Clan Skene's chief and family.

Several members of the Loch Norman Pipe Band led our Walkabout and we had almost thirty Hendersons marching around the clan field. Between the kilt christening ceremony and the Walkabout, I believe the Games knew the Hendersons were there! I personally was on a mission to win the "Best Clan Tent" award this year and although we didn't

win, we did come in fourth—better luck next year.

We had three new members join the fold, and seven renewals (even a couple of inactive members returned). In spite of the heat, we had a very good turnout for the Parade of Tartans on Sunday. I didn't count the actual number of participants in our contingent. Our Bodyguard

From the Chaplain

by the Rev. C. Fred Sanford



Part of my fascination with Scottish religious traditions is that it is rooted in Celtic history. Also because it's combined with the Protestant Reformation through John Knox and the standards of the Westminster Confession of Faith of 1647.

I'd like to focus in this article on Celtic history and symbolism, not just for historical curiosity, but for the opportunities of our personal spiritual formation.

I think of figures like St. Patrick in Ireland, or even St. Columba who founded a monastery on Iona Island in Scotland. Columba successfully merged the Christian faith with Celtic spirituality. Perhaps the main visual symbol is the Celtic Cross carved in stone and erected above the graves of the saints.

What is that connection? And what might it mean for our own spiritual formation? What are some of the symbolic meanings, drawn from a strange mixture of Celtic paganism, Roman Catholicism, and Protestantism?

It would be easy for us who claim to possess a "civilized" faith to dismiss the "paganism" of the Druids, or the warlike brutality of the Gallic tribes who lived in pre-Roman Europe. But apparently there was a thread of spirituality that did indeed become compatible with the basic belief system of Christianity. This is

not to say that the life and teachings of Jesus are set aside for Celtic spirituality, but that some elements of the Hebrew and Christian Bible are the same as in Celtic tradition.

For example, the symbolism we find in the art of Celtic circles, knots, leaves, flowers, birds and animals, show that life is unified and intertwined with the Source of Creation. Nature is created GOOD, not evil, a theme found also in the Old Testament books of Genesis and the Psalms. The human soul, however, does not remain good as long as there is freedom to corrupt goodness through acts of selfishness. So, it was a logical and faithful inference for the missionaries to link a Celtic search for restoration from corruption to the saving work of Jesus Christ and the literature of the New Testament.

Building on this historic connection, and with the opportunity to further needs for spirituality one Scottish cleric, George MacLeod, came from Glasgow in 1938 and led a restoration of the abbey on Iona Island.

With the help of many devoted people and organizations, he turned it into a retreat center. Perhaps many of you have visited Iona as it is today. I have yet to do so.

Spirituality appears to be a human need for personal fulfillment beyond the everyday routine. It is based on humility, gratitude, and confession of faults. The center of this is God's unlimited grace, and our trust that a Source of Life does indeed offer us a way out of guilt and fear and temptations.

The Celtic way, with Scottish history and tradition being a greater part of that way, may well assist our yearnings and needs beyond the secular world. And yet, the secular world and nature itself, is not set apart from, but integrated, knitted together and intertwined with what we can be.

A prayer from Iona reads:

"May God's goodness be yours. And well, seven times well, may you spend your lives: May you be an isle in the sea... a hill on the shore... a star in the darkness... a staff to the weak; and may the love of Christ gave fill every heart for you and fill you for every one."

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looked so smart and crisp-gave me goosebumps!

Next year will be the 10th anniversary of these Games. Although they are growing by leaps and bounds, they still have

the feel and friendliness of smaller events. There really is something for everyone—piping and dancing competitions, athletics, interesting vendors, a very interesting historical encampment

and history center and, of course, the camaraderie and fellowship of the clans attending this venue. We'd love to see you at the next one—just remember to "Be Prepared."

Clans of Scotland, Friends Join for First Annual National Tartan Day Banquet

By Ken Allen

Scots of common stature who came to America in the 1700s often were forced into servitude and even a form of slavery that paralleled the plight of African aboriginal people brought here against their will, Dr. Jim McClellan told a National Tartan Day banquet of Clans of Scotland on Saturday night, 6 April.

Dr. McClellan, a scholar and author in American history at Northern Virginia Community College, Alexandria campus, was the speaker at what became the First Annual Clans of Scotland and All Friends National Tartan Day Banquet. Thirty-nine attended, including Rex and Pat Maddox, the president and first lady of the Clan Henderson Society, who were celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary.

A beautiful special wedding anniversary cake for Pat and Rex was given by Cate Archuletti of Cate's Gourmet. The cake was presented as a surprise just before the banquet began its dessert course.

The banquet was held at Bistro Europa where CoS had its Burns Night in January.

Before presenting his banquet lecture, Dr. McClellan introduced Ken Riley from Dundee, Alexandria's sister city in Scotland. Mr. Riley is a professor at the University of the Highlands and Islands in Scotland.

In his lecture, Dr. McClellan said many times Scottish migrants to America were actually unsuspecting newcomers who had been "spirited" into the dangerous voyage across the Atlantic Ocean. He explained that agents seeking cheap labor for the agrarian-based colonies, called "Spirits," tricked and often alcohol-drugged Scots onto ships

setting sail for the Colonies.

"That's where we get the expression 'Spirited away in the night,'" Dr. McClellan said.

Whole families of Scots were tricked in various ways into believing they would be given free voyage and even land if they would come to America. Upon arrival, they found themselves as little more than cargo to be sold by a ship's captain as indentured servants for seven years if they could not come up with the cost of the trip across the Atlantic. Families faced being torn apart and sold separately as servants, he explained.

"Men went from door-to-door in port towns asking for money to pay ship captains who were holding their women and children as slave hostages," Dr. McClellan said.

He also said some Scots were sent to the American colonies from prisons in Britain. Men in shackles were loaded onto ships bound for America specifically as slaves, he said.

Dr. McClellan said some who were "tricked" to America were able to escape slavery or servitude. Some Scots were set free by courts in the Colonies, and some of the Scots escaped into the wilderness and moved ever west with the expansion of the American Frontier.

Scots are greatly dispersed across America and have assimilated into the greater American national culture Dr. McClellan said, noting that most when asked today what their heritage might be will answer simply: "American."

Prior to Dr. McClellan's lecture, all attending the banquet, were welcomed at the door by piper Greg Hicks of Clan Henderson.

The social hour began at 6:30, and Greg, a high-school senior, piped in the Haggis carried by Chef Klaus Keckeisen with "Scotland the Brave" to begin the buffet meal at 7:30.

Chief Eric Bartock welcomed all, especially Rex and Pat Maddox, Dr. McClellan and his wife, Catherine; former chiefs Johnny Harris and Doris Swisshelm, and former scribe Joseph Snyder. In his blessing of the banquet, Johnny remembered Kathie Snyder, Joseph Snyder's beloved wife who passed away in March as a result of a brain aneurysm. Kathie was also a past scribe and loved by many.

The banquet decorations were skillfully arranged by Pat Ganson and Merrily Wolf. Bistro Europa staff pitched in with a huge American flag flanked by the national flag of Scotland and the traditional Royal Stuart flag.

Rex Maddox, a retired U.S. Navy commander, who served thirty years, led the banquet attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and our nation.

Six members of the Clans of Scotland and five Alexandria businesses were patrons of the banquet.

CoS patrons were: Heidi and Edward Yates, Doris Swisshelm, Mary and John Lumsden, and Ken Allen.

Alexandria business patrons were: Bistro Europa, Klaus and Kristin Keckeisen, proprietors; Cate's Gourmet, Cate Archuletti, proprietor; JJ's Hallmark King Street, Nancy Kuhn, assistant manager; The Scottish Merchant, Dan and Sue Geller, proprietors, and Tower Records at Landmark Plaza, Phil Cooney, general manager.



Maclan is Gathering the Clan

He's looking forward to seeing you at these events

Dr. McClellan's latest book, *Historical Moments: Changing Interpretations of America's Past*, is in its second edition, published in 2000 by McGraw-Hill/Dushkin. He has been teaching at NVCC since 1975. He earned his Ph.D. in American political history from The Union Institute of Cincinnati in 1984.

Dr. McClellan did undergraduate and post-graduate work at the University of Texas. In 1997, he received a Distinguished Alumnus Award from UT, which the university describes as the "the highest honor given by the University to any graduate."

Dr. McClellan is a commissioner on the Alexandria Civil Rights Commission.

He is the vice chairman of the US Canoe and Kayak Sprint Racing Committee, the governing body for the sports of canoeing and kayaking in the United States and the committee responsible for the selection and training of the US Olympic Team.

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While your editor used the article because it highlights President Rex and Pat Maddox's wedding anniversary, it also showed clan members' (also piper Greg Hicks) involvement in the local Scottish community. Further, the author addressed the opportunity Clans of Scotland took to recognize Tartan Day. If any other clan members take up the idea of a banquet, please report your plans to An Canach.

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- 10 Rockford Celtic Festival
Rockford, IL
- 10-11 Colorado Scottish Festival
Highlands Ranch, CO
- 16-17 Triad Highland Games
Archdale, NC
- 16-17 Dave Cameron Highland Festival
Jackson, WY
- 17 Ben Lomond Highland Games
Ogden, UT
- 17 Maine Highland Games
Brunswick, ME
- 17 Douglas Co Highland Games
Winston, OR
- 17-18 West Virginia Highland Games*
Beckley, WV
- 24 Long Island Scottish Games
Old Westbury Gardens
Westbury, NY
- 24 Celtic Highland Games of the
Quad Cities
Davenport, IA
- 24 Quechee Scottish Festival
Quechee Polo Field, Quechee, VT
- 24 Kalamazoo Scottish Festival
Kalamazoo, MI
- 31- San Francisco Highland Games
1 Sep Pleasanton, CA
- SEPTEMBER**
- 5-8 Longs Peak Games
Estes Park, CO
- 6-8 Ligonier Highland Games *
Ligonier, PA
- 6-8 Celtic Heritage Festival
Caro, MI
- 7-9 Green Lane Park Scottish Games
Green Lane Park, PA
- 13-15 New Hampshire Highland Games
Loon Mountain, Lincoln, NH
- 13-15 W. Kentucky Highland Festival
Carson Park, Paducah, KY
- 14-15 Celtic Heritage Festival
Niagara, NY
- 20-21 Tulsa Highland Games
Tulsa, OK
- 21 Charleston Scottish Games
Boone Hall Plantation
Mt. Pleasant, SC
- 21-22 Celtic Festival & Highland
Games
Grand Junction, CO
- 21-22 Maryland Renaissance Festival
Crownsville, MD
- 21-22 Scottish Games and Festival
Shawnee-On-The-Del., PA
- 27-29 Celtic Classic Highland Games
Bethlehem, PA
- 27-29 Alabama Highland Games
Montgomery, AL
- 27-29 McPherson Scottish Festival &
Highland Games
Lakeside Park, McPherson, KS

- 28 Alexandria Scottish Heritage Fair
Fort Ward Park, Alexandria VA
- 28 Dixon Scottish Games
Dixon Fairgrounds, Dixon, CA
- 28 Williamsburg Scottish Festival *
Williamsburg, VA
- 29 New Jersey Scottish Festival
Holmdel, NJ

OCTOBER

- 4-6 Tennessee Highland Games *
Clan Henderson AGM
Murfreesboro, TN
- 5 St. Andrew Society of CT
Scottish
Festival
Goshen Fairgrounds, Goshen, CT
- 5-6 Chesapeake Celtic Festival
Snow Hill, MD
- 5-6 Celtic Festival & Craft Faire
Tri-State Fairgrounds,
Amarillo, TX
- 11-12 St. Louis Scottish Games and
Cultural Festival
St. Louis, MO
- 12 Radford Highlanders Festival
Radford, VA
- 12 Anne Arundel Scottish Festival
Crownsville, MD
- 18-20 Stone Mountain Games *
Atlanta, GA
- 18-19 Arkansas Highland Games
Ft Smith, AR
- 25-26 Bel Air Games
El Paso, TX
- 26 Waxhaw Scottish Highland
Games
Briarwood Farm, Waxhaw, NC
- 26-27 Richmond Highland Games
Richmond, VA

NOVEMBER

- 1-2 Foothills Highland Games
Harmon Field, Tryon, NC
- 2-3 Arkansas Celtic Garland
Hot Springs, AR
- 2 Tucson Celtic Festival
Tucson, AZ
- 2 Highland Games of Louisiana
Museum Grounds, Jackson, LA
- 8-10 41st Annual Highland Games &
Gathering of the Clans
Salado, TX 76571
- 9 Ocala Scottish Games
Ocala, FL
- 23 Dunedin Celtic Festival
Highlander Park, Dunedin, FL

DECEMBER

- 7 Scottish Christmas Walk *
Clan Henderson Ceilidh
Alexandria, VA
- 7-8 Mother Lode Scots Christmas
Walk, Faire & Highland Games
Howard Park, Lone, CA
- 29 Portsmouth VA Scottish Walk
Historic District Portsmouth, VA

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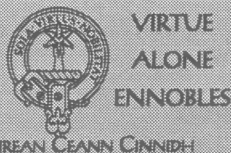
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Bittersweet Lament

by Neil Henderson



Neil Henderson
The Henderson Bard

O, Scotland!
I have seen thy rugged Islands,
Shining hills and gloomy glens,
Thy misty moors and snow-capped Bens.
I have seen thy thundering falls
From which clear streams spring.
I have seen the shy forest deer,
The eagle soaring on the wing.

O, Scotland!
I have seen thy crystal lochs,
Rushing burns and mony a brae,
I have seen thy green woodlands
From where sweet birdsongs ring.
I have lain in thy lush meadows
And heard on high the Mavis sing.

O, Scotland!
I have seen thy swift rivers
Each flowing busily to its Firth,
By villages, towns and cities of worth
Filled with canny, guid-hearted folk
Once, blindly sent from their land of birth,
Left with memories only of thy beauty,
To enrich all corners of this Earth.

O, Scotland!

Neil Henderson wrote this wonderful poem after reading again the tragedy of the Scottish Clearances. He has recently requested to turn over his duties to another kinsman.



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